

Walteria News Notes

# Drive for 'Chuckie' Smith Big Success

By BETTY MITCHELL  
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Bouquets to all your people who helped make the drives to help the Smith family of Crockettwood such a success. The Walteria Businessmen's Club and the Police Department combined to collect well over a thousand dollars. Over \$200 was collected from the members of the Walteria Methodist Church. Many of you readers also will be glad to know that the Pacific Hills Homeowners Association collected approximately \$150. Needless to say, the family has a place to put every penny, and they are very grateful to one and all. What a wonderful example of friends-in-need! Shows what everyone's little bit can do when those little bits are put together. Think you've had a lot of excitement lately? Well, listen to what has

happened to the Harry Fink family of Newton St. On April 30 the stroke left them a bundle at the Torrance Memorial Hospital. The bouncing new 8 lb. 7 oz girl was christened Carla Neil and joins brother Paul Douglas and sister Dee Louise at the family home. Just as the family was getting adjusted to this new arrival, brother Paul went strolling in the hills. This might have been a good idea but for the fact that he suddenly found himself buried when the ground caved in above him. The mother of the boy and the two-week-old baby rushed to the scene and rescued her son while other aid was on its way. From last reports, Paul is recovering nicely and will soon remember his harrowing escape as just another incident in growing up. Tomorrow will be a big day

for the Scouts of this area. Tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock Robert Adams will become Walteria's first Eagle Scout. Several Boy Scout executives will be present for the ceremony. To Robert from us—heartiest congratulations.

Visitors in our community this last week included Paul and Gerrie Bowen from Ojai who were visitors at the Beers residence on Newton St.; Ellen Hill and Grace Beggs of North Torrance, who visited at the homes of several of their friends in Walteria last Thursday and Robert and Jo Mills of Sun Valley who stopped in at the Mitchell home on Danah St. for a visit and dinner last Wednesday.

Hear that the Leon Hurleys of Pacific Coast Hwy., long-time residents of Walteria, are moving to the new home they purchased recently in Gardena. Good luck, folks.

Brownie Troop 390 is very busy these days. The Brownies made Mother's Day gifts of washrag, kitties and soap as one of their projects. Right now they are planning another bake sale to be held in front of the post office on May 29. Get your sweet tooth ready folks, and give the girls your patronage. By the way, the girls are looking forward to a big surprise on the fifth of June. No, this reporter won't divulge the secret, but will tell you all about it later.

**DRAINAGE BASIN**  
Two fifths of the area of the United States comprising most of 19 states is drained by the Mississippi River system.



ALL ABOARD . . . for 1954-55, says Skipper Joseph Bay as he presents Sea Scout Ship 217-S' charter for the year to Tom Vanderpool, officer of the day. Dr. Bay received the charter on behalf of the ship's sponsors, the Optimist Club, from Bill Roeder, Torrance neighborhood commissioner, BSA. Guest at the ceremonies was Hal Laudeman, Torrance area commissioner, who gave a report of the proposed Scout Center. The ship's next activity will be a three-day cruise to Catalina Island over Memorial Day week-end.

### Hi-Lifes of Seaside

## Enrollment Dates Fixed for Seaside

By SUE BURK  
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Another Mother's Day has passed and won't be seen again for another year, but in many mothers received gifts from their loved ones; and special sermons were heard in most of the churches. We mothers have a woman of long ago to thank for the idea, and a president by the name of Wilson to thank for making Mother's Day possible every year.

On the dark side you may be able to brighten the day if your child is involved. The storm drain at the dead-end of Zakon and Macafee now has an open hole which continues far below the surface and along a level of concrete; thus making a small tunnel descending to Macafee Rd. The hole is large enough for a child of 3 to 9 with an adventurous mind to crawl into and explore. Mothers of these streets, your attention please! The workmen have asked the children dozens of times to vamoose, and have repeatedly warned them of the danger involved, but to no avail. Perhaps you can do something. I would hate for any child to be caught and smothered in a place of this sort. Won't you please watch your kiddies, for their own sake?

Tripping off to Long Beach Harbor the other day to meet daddy were Connie Priestly and children, Bobby, and the twins, Janet and Greg. Daddy, Leonard Priestly, docked on the first of May aboard the USS Toledo. Nice to see you back home again Leonard, it has been a long time. Know you are enjoying and taking life easy during your leave.

A last quick notice about kindergarten enrollment at Seaside Elementary. Mrs. Jones reports that letters for the Seaside have already been sent to the parents, and appointments made for the 17th, 18th, and 19th of

May. To parents with letters received without a definite appointment date call the school, FR 5-1996. These things you parents of new kindergartners will need: (1) the child must be 5 years old by Dec. 1 this year. (2) birth certificate must accompany child. (3) if no birth certificate is available, there must be some means of verification of birth. The Victoria Terrace will have its enrollment on May 31, with the same specifications. Don't forget the assembly meetings on each Friday morning between 9 and 9:45. Again, more parents are invited and urged to come to these meetings. Attention for something special — you have probably heard of this before. The square dance for Seaside will be given on the 22nd and at \$1 per couple. A professional caller of square dances has been acquired for the dance. Hope to see a lot of you. Peg Parke, president of the Seaside Parent-Teacher Associations has informed me that the installation of the new officers to their different posts will take place at the regular PTA meeting on Thursday, May 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the Seaside auditorium. Say, that's tonight!

Having mother over for the traditional Mother's Day dinner were

## All-Around Author To Speak At Meeting of Manuscripters

Whether dipping his versatile pen in acid, waxing hilarious, or presenting a serious message, Jack Fullbeck, swashbuckling writer-lecturer, has an eager following, according to Joan Coverdale, program chairman of Southwest Manuscripters.

Fullbeck, an ex-newspaperman and a teacher at the University of Southern California, will speak at the May program, Friday, May 21 at 8 p.m. in Clark Stadium in Hermosa Beach.

The popular young speaker, who recently addressed student writers at St. Camino College, is best known for his tongue-in-cheek book "I Sleep With

Strangers." He is a gifted humorist and a craftsman with words, according to Mrs. Coverdale.

"Unlike many writers whose talents 'rust' away," Fullbeck analyzes the forms of the writing craft and has attained critical success in even such difficult fields of journalism as serious poetry," she said.

Fullbeck, a bachelor, makes his home in Los Angeles. Some Bayans are invited to hear him at Friday's meeting.

To take contest entries Also planned for the meeting is submission of entries for the contest on character sketches. These are not to exceed 1500 words and are to be written in the vein of the popular "Unforgettable Character" stories which appear in a national magazine. This is a membership-wide competition for cash prizes. Manuscripts will be submitted under non-de-plumes with sealed envelopes containing real names and manuscript titles accompanying each script. Only previously unpublished work is considered. Eligible persons are those who hold 1954 membership cards.

The Southwest Manuscripters Club was organized as a meeting-ground for professional writers and newcomers interested in writing to sell. Members attend from the entire South Bay, Westchester, Longwood, Torrance, and other inland areas. President is Maurice Ogden, Lawndale writer-poet with a background in radio continuity and announcing and at present gaining recognition in the science fantasy field. He urges all persons in the area who are sincerely interested in learning the craft of commercial writing to attend Friday's meeting. Information regarding membership or speakers can be obtained from Catherine Bolton, secretary, at FRontier 2-2204.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mitchell of Zakon. Serving a huge roast and trimmings to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hendon; the day was topped with a beautiful bright red rose bush as a gift to mother Hendon. Geri Grierson received a beautiful Lg-Wn watch with diamonds scattered on either side from hubby, Dick. The Renz family enjoyed dinner at Melton's in Manhattan. What was your gift, Alpha? We see that Mary and Buz White are laying new carpets. What woman wouldn't like that as a present? The Burk family visited with dad and a mother in Santa Monica. I now boast of a new planter in the shape of the old-time depot stoves.

We look forward to seeing you at the Seaside Auditorium tomorrow, May 14, at 7:30 p.m. As reported by Mr. Floyd Holstein, Scoutmaster; the Court of Honor and Eagle Ceremony will take up the evening activities. We as Scoutmothers, and Scoutmaster, and fellow Scouts are happy to present Dick Graham and Billy Morris with the Engle catering. Refreshments will be served to the children and to grownups alike and hang the price of coffee; there will be plenty. Again, I urge you as Scout parents and the public to attend this meeting.

**PRESIDENTIAL PRISONER**  
Andrew Jackson, seventh President of the United States, was once held a prisoner by Great Britain during the latter periods of the Revolutionary War.

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